

REMARKS

This supplements the Amendment After Final Rejection dated March 8, 2004. Claims 13 to 27 are pending in the application, with Claims 13 and 21, the independent claims in the case, having been amended herein. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.


Independent Claims 13 and 21 have been amended to specify that the claimed magnification rate is greater than or equal to 100%, consistent with the disclosed embodiment of the invention, and consistent with Ferracini's failure to disclose or suggest anything other than a reduction in Ferracini's shrinking module 108. In all other respects, this Supplemental Amendment is identical to the Amendment dated March 8, 2004.

Accordingly, amended independent Claim 13 is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. In addition, amended independent Claim 21 is a method claim substantially corresponding to amended independent Claim 13 and is therefore believed to be in condition for allowance for the same reasons discussed above with respect to amended independent Claim 13.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, as well as those in the Amendment dated March 8, 2004 the entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

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